



## ***JUDICIAL PROFILE***

**Teresa A. Sanders** was appointed a Superior Court Judge in September 2001 and is assigned to the Juvenile Court Department. She served as a Superior Court Commissioner in the Juvenile, Criminal, and Family Court Departments from April 1999 until her judicial appointment. She received her law degree in 1983 from Arizona State University's College of Law. She also earned her undergraduate degree from Arizona State University. She was admitted to practice law in both Arizona and Colorado and became a certified specialist in the area of criminal law in 1992. She worked in private practice and as a Deputy District Attorney in Grand Junction, Colorado. In 1986 she returned to Arizona and joined the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. She worked in the criminal trial division, gang and repeat-offenders bureau, and major felony bureau. In September 1996 she was promoted to a bureau chief position in the criminal trial division.



Judge Sanders is active in the State Bar of Arizona and served on the Criminal Law Advisory Commission, the Criminal Rules and Practice Committee, and the Peer Review Committee. Her public service activities have included "Habitat for Humanity" and "Special Olympics." She has served in both the "Courthouse Experience" and "Kids in Court" educational programs in the Superior Court.